## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2004-297-S - ORDER NO. 2005-408

JULY 25, 2005

IN RE:	Applications of Midlands Utility, Inc. for	)	ORDER
	Approval of a New Schedule of Rates and	)	<b>RULING ON</b>
	Charges for Sewerage Service Provided to its	)	<b>MOTION</b>
	Customers in Richland, Lexington, Fairfield	)	
	and Orangeburg Counties.	)	
		)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission (the Commission) on the Motion to Modify or Amend Order No. 2005-168 filed by Midlands Utility, Inc. (Midlands or the Company). The Motion seeks modification or amendment of that Order to permit the Company an additional ninety (90) days in which to place its rates for Phase I of the rate increase approved by this Commission into effect.

Midlands notes that this Commission issued Order No. 2005-168 on April 6, 2005. The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) filed and served its Petition for Rehearing and/or Reconsideration and Motion for Clarification of the Order on April 27, 2005. This Commission has met and considered the Petition and issued its directive, but it has not yet issued its final order ruling on the Petition.

The Company states that it has otherwise begun to comply with the terms of Order No. 2005-168, however, out of an abundance of caution, it has been reluctant to place Phase I rates approved by this Commission into effect until all issues raised in the

outstanding petition were resolved by final Order of this Commission. The Motion notes that the ORS consents to the Motion.

Accordingly, Midlands requests that the Commission amend or modify its Order No. 2005-168 to grant an extension of ninety (90) days or until October 6, 2005, to Midlands to place its Phase I rates ordered by this Commission into effect. Noting the consent of the ORS, we grant the Motion to Modify or Amend. Midlands shall have until October 6, 2005 to place its rates for Phase I of the rate increase approved by this Commission into effect.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice-Chairman

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